

CLEAN FORM OF ALL THE CLAIMS AS AMENDED
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1. (Twice amended) A re-closable packaging comprising a container and a cover;

wherein the container comprises a support layer bearing two opposed faces, the innermost face of which is joined to a complexable layer by placing said face adjacent to an outermost face of a bonding layer bearing two opposed faces,

the bonding layer is placed adjacent to a complexable layer bearing two opposed faces, the innermost face of the bonding layer being placed adjacent to the outermost face of the complexable layer,

the innermost face of the complexable layer is placed adjacent to an outermost face of a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer bearing two opposed faces,

the innermost face of the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is placed adjacent to a first face of a tearable-welding layer bearing two opposed faces;

wherein the cover comprises a welding layer with two opposed faces, the first face of which is placed adjacent to an innermost face of a support layer bearing two opposed faces;

wherein the second face of the tearable-welding layer and the second face of the welding layer are joined by welding along a seam in a welding region to form a welded seam;
and

wherein the packaging is opened by separating the cover and the container in the welding region.

2. Cancelled.

3. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which the complexable layer is joined to the bonding layer by lamination.

4. (Amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 3, in which the bonding layer is a polyurethane adhesive.

5. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which the complexable layer is joined to the bonding layer by extrusion-lamination.
6. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 3, in which the bonding layer is a coextrusion binder.
7. (Amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which said container is a tub.
8. (Amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which said container is a flexible receptacle.
9. (Amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which said container is thermoformed.
10. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which the packaging is opened by tearing and wherein the tearing takes place within the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer.
11. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which the tearable-welding layer has a first melting point, the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer has a second melting point, and the first melting point is greater than the second melting point.
12. (Amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises a thermoplastic elastomer-based hot melt adhesive.
13. (Amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which said adhesive is formed of from 5 to 25% by weight of a master batch comprising a substance chosen from the group consisting of a filler, a processing agent, and mixtures thereof.
14. (Amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which the tearable-welding layer and the welding layer each comprise a polyethylene.
15. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 14, in which the polyethylene is a metallocene polyethylene.
16. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which said complexable layer and said tearable-welding layer each have the same composition.

17. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, in which the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises two pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layers, each sub-layer having the same composition.

18. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 17, in which a structure comprising the complexable layer, the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer and the tearable-welding layer is obtained by collapsing a co-extrusion bubble.

19. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 18, in which the co-extrusion bubble is collapsed in an oxidizing medium.

20. (Twice amended) A re-closable packaging comprising a container and a cover;

wherein the container comprises a support layer bearing two opposed faces, the innermost face of which is joined to an outermost face of a bonding layer bearing two opposed faces by laminating;

the bonding layer is placed adjacent to a complexable layer bearing two opposed faces, the innermost face of the bonding layer being placed adjacent to the outermost face of the complexable layer,

the innermost face of the complexable layer is placed adjacent to an outermost face of a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer bearing two opposed faces,

the innermost face of the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is placed adjacent to a first face of a tearable-welding layer bearing two opposed faces;

wherein the cover comprises a welding layer with two opposed faces, the first face of which is placed adjacent to an innermost face of a support layer bearing two opposed faces;

wherein the second face of the tearable-welding layer and the second face of the welding layer are joined by welding along a seam in a welding region to form a welded seam; and

wherein the packaging is opened by separating the cover and the container in the welding region.

21. (Amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 20, in which the bonding layer is a polyurethane adhesive.

22. (Amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 20, in which said container is thermoformed.
23. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 20, in which the packaging is opened by tearing and wherein the tearing takes place within the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer.
24. (Amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 20, in which said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises a thermoplastic elastomer-based hot melt adhesive.
25. (Amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 20, in which the tearable-welding layer and the welding layer each comprise a polyethylene.
26. (Twice amended) The re-closable packaging according to claim 20, in which a structure comprising the complexable layer, the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer and the tearable-welding layer is obtained by collapsing a co-extrusion bubble.
- 27-39. Cancelled.
40. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, wherein the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises two pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layers.
41. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 1, wherein the packaging is opened by separating the cover and the container in the welding region to form a first and a second pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layer from the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer, the cover of the opened packaging comprising the first pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layer and the container of the opened packaging comprising the second pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layer.
42. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 20, wherein the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises two pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layers.
43. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 20, wherein the packaging is opened by separating the cover and the container in the welding region to form a first and a second pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layer from the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer, the cover of the opened packaging comprising the first pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layer and

the container of the opened packaging comprising the second pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layer.

44. (New) A re-closable packaging comprising a container and a cover;

wherein the container comprises a support layer bearing two opposed faces, which is joined a complexable layer bearing two opposed faces, the innermost face of the support layer being placed adjacent to the outermost face of the complexable layer,

the innermost face of the complexable layer is placed adjacent to an outermost face of a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer bearing two opposed faces,

the innermost face of the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is placed adjacent to a first face of a tearable-welding layer bearing two opposed faces;

wherein the cover comprises a welding layer with two opposed faces, the first face of which is placed adjacent to an innermost face of a support layer bearing two opposed faces;

wherein the second face of the tearable-welding layer and the second face of the welding layer are joined by welding along a seam in a welding region to form a welded seam; and

wherein the packaging is opened by separating the cover and the container in the welding region.

45. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 44, wherein the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises two pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layers.

46. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 44, wherein the packaging is opened by separating the cover and the container in the welding region to form a first and a second pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layer from the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer, the cover of the opened packaging comprising the first pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layer and the container of the opened packaging comprising the second pressure-sensitive adhesive sub-layer.

47. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 44, wherein the complexable layer is joined to the support layer by hot-calendering.

48. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 44, wherein the complexable layer is joined to the support layer by extrusion-coating.
49. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 44, wherein said container is thermoformed.
50. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 44, wherein the packaging is opened by tearing and wherein the tearing takes place within the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer.
51. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 44, wherein said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises a thermoplastic elastomer-based hot melt adhesive.
52. (New) The re-closable packaging according to claim 44, wherein the tearable-welding layer and the welding layer each comprise a polyethylene.